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RECEPTIONS.

Mrs. Blaine's receptions will be held every
Tuesday during the season, between the hours
of 2 and 4 p. m.

SPEAKER BLAINE'S RECEPTIONS.

The receptions of the Speaker of the House
of Representatives will be at his residence,
401 Fifteenth street, from 10 to 11 o'clock on
each Friday evening of the season.

MRS. BLAINE'S RECEPTIONS.

Mrs. Blaine's receptions will be held every
Wednesday of the season, between the hours
of 2 and 3 p. m.

DIPLOMATIC CORPS.

At the Russian Legation Madame de Cata-
cany will receive on Thursdays, from 3 until
5 p. m.

At the Argentine Legation Madame de Cata-
cany will receive on alternate Monday evenings,
commencing on Monday, January 3, and will be at home on Saturdays, from
5 until 6 p. m.

We are requested to state that in conse-
quence of necessary repairs, there will be no
evening receptions at the British Legation
until special invitations are issued.

A Legislature for the District.

We give below, as promised in our paper
of Thursday, some extracts from a memo-
rial to Congress written fifty years ago,
setting forth the reasons why the citizens
of the District of Columbia should be al-
lowed, so far as consistent with the Constitu-
tion, the political rights, &c., enjoyed by
their fellow-citizens in all other parts of the
United States.

The inhabitants of this District consi-
stently exceed thirty thousand. The District
is consequently reached that point of popu-
lation which, in the opinion of the United
States Government, is a sufficient basis for
the full enjoyment of political rights.
This population is principally com-
posed of those who, until lately, were
citizens of the United States, and the
people in common with the great body of the
American people, the civil and political
rights of freemen.

In placing themselves under the protec-
tion of the General Government, they are not
lost to the protection of their own state
of residence.

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